## **Rules of Conduct**



## To keep the Library safe and pleasant for everyone, the following activities and behaviors are prohibited:

- 1. Smoking in the Library (Carlsbad Municipal Code 6.14.030).
- 2. Soliciting or panhandling either inside the Library or on the surrounding City property [California Penal Code 647(c)].
- 3. Assault on patrons or staff (California Penal Code 242).
- 4. Threatening, disturbing, offending, intimidating, or harassing others, including staff [California Penal Code 602.1(b)].
- 5. Bicycles in the Library and riding skateboards or similar forms of transportation in the Library or on the Library property (Carlsbad Municipal Code 10.58.030).
- 6. Theft, abuse, vandalism, or mutilation of Library facilities, equipment, or materials (California Penal Code 490.5 & 594).
- 7. Misusing restrooms for purposes of bathing or washing clothes.
- 8. Being in the Library without wearing shoes and shirt.
- 9. Leaving children unattended by a parent or authorized adult.
- 10. Bringing animals into the Library except those certified to assist a patron with a disability.
- 11. Lying on the floor or sleeping.
- 12. Bringing luggage, bedrolls, or large containers unrelated to Library use. Any items not prohibited should not block aisles or seating areas.
- 13. Food or drink in restricted areas or that disturbs others.
- 14. Use of cell phones that disturb others.
- 15. Bodily hygiene that is offensive and disturbing to others.

Persons who violate these rules will be asked to stop such actions and may be asked to leave the Library. Persistent violations of these rules may also result in suspension of Library privileges. Suspensions will be for a definite time period, not to exceed 12 months. The length of suspension will be determined by the Library Director or other designated staff and will apply at all Library facilities.

Police will be called in cases of criminal or legal violations.

Approved by the Library Board of Trustees on November 14, 2007

